

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Prescription of)	APPLICATION NO. BR-272
Reasonable Rates and Charges for Motor)	
Carriers Passengers and Property for Hire)	GRANTED ON AN EMERGENCY
Subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat.)	BASIS
(Reissue 1996), Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3.)	
)	ENTERED: December 18, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On December 10, 2001, Blaine Rentals, Inc., dba The Panhandle Runaround, Chadron, Nebraska filed an application for authority to establish transportation rates for its use as follows:

Description	Proposed Rate
A. From point of origin to point of delivery	\$1/mile/trip
B. Minimum charge	\$8/trip

Emergency action is requested.

Applicant is a certificate common carrier which holds Certificate B-1549. The certificate authorizes the transportation of passengers in open class service by sedan and/or minivan, not to include luxury limousines, with a capacity of 6 passengers or more, between points in Dawes, Sheridan and Sioux counties and between points in said counties on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes.

According to the Applicant, the proposed rates are based on projected income and expenses. The proposed rates are necessary to cover the cost of insurance, fuel, and vehicle maintenance. The proposed rates are believed to be sufficient to produce a reasonable profit and still maintain a quality service.

Applicant recently received its authority as an open class common carrier providing sedan and /or minivan service in a defined area. The proposed rates are competitive with other carriers providing a similar service with like equipment. The application is filed in compliance with Section 75-308 (Rates) and 75-121 (Emergency rate orders), R.R.S. 1996 and the Commission rules.

Upon consideration of the application and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the application should be granted on an emergency basis effective December 21, 2001.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that effective December 21, 2001, Blaine Rentals, Inc., dba The Panhandle Runaround, Chadron, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to establish transportation rates for its use as follows:


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A. From point of origin to point of delivery	\$1/mile/trip
B. Minimum charge	\$8/trip

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that public notice of this action be published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, pursuant to the provisions of Section 75-121, R.R.S. 1996, and the Commission's rules.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

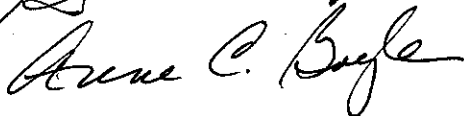
COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:




Chairman



ATTEST:




Executive Director



//s//Frank E. Landis